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BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS **PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES** **OCTOBER 8, 2015**

I. CALL TO ORDER

This scheduled meeting of the Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners was called to Order by Board Vice Chair Jose Perez at 9:59 a.m., in the Sussex Room, 124 Halsey Street, 6th floor, Newark, New Jersey.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Ben K. Beitin, LMFT, *Board Chair*
Jose Perez, *Vice Chair*
Lorraine M. Barry, LMFT, *Board Member*
Michelle Weinberg, LMFT, *Board Member*
Johanna Klena, LCSW, *Board Member*

Excused:

Ketrin Saud Maxwell, *Board Member (Professional Counselor Committee Liaison)*
Edward Reading, LCADC, *Board Member (Alcohol & Drug Committee Liaison)*
Alyson Smith, *Board Member*
Mia Sena, *Public Member*

Absent:

Eileen Thornton, *Public Member*

Also in attendance:

Shirley Dickstein, *Deputy Attorney General*
Milagros B. Collazo, *Executive Director*
ToniAnn Petrella-Diaz, *Government Representative*
Celeste Paige, *Administrative Assistant*

Announcement of Quorum

Board Vice Chair Jose Perez announced the presence of quorum at 9:59 a.m.

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mail to the Office of the Secretary of the State of New Jersey, The Newark Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Record and the Courier Post. Adequate notice of this meeting was also posted on the Board's web page.

III. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2015 PUBLIC MINUTES

*Upon motion made by Johanna Klena, and seconded by Lorraine Barry, the Board voted to approve the September 10, 2015 public minutes as presented.
Voting in favor: all.*

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members present.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Executive Director Collazo presented the Licensing Activity Report for Board review:

There are currently 571 total active Marriage and Family Therapy licenses, 181 applications pending and 14 reinstatements pending.

There are currently 2,624 total active licenses for Alcohol and Drug Counselors (LCADC & CADC), 1,145 applications pending and 14 reinstatements pending.

There are currently 5,206 total active licenses for Professional Counselors (LAC, LPC, LRC), 1,491 applications pending and 34 reinstatements pending.

* Applications in pending include applications pending final Board review/ approval, incomplete applications, applications waiting for exam results, and applications that have been abandoned.

VI. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

A. Rule of Evidence 534 - Mental Health Provider-Patient Privilege

The Board tabled this matter for the November 12, 2015 meeting.

B. Melissa Santiago, New Jersey State Task Force Member

The Board tabled this matter for the November 12, 2015 meeting.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

None to review.

VIII. AAMFT/NJAMFT MATTERS

No items to report.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. MFT Regulations Sub-Committee

- Has completed its first review of proposed changes to existing regulations, and is adjourned at this time.
- The Board discussed a possible Committee to be formed in September to review the application forms, supervision reports, for needed updates.

B. Alcohol and Drug sub-Committee

- Need to schedule a regulations sub-committee meeting for continued review of regulations.
- Ed Reading attended the follow up meeting for the Addiction Technology Transfer Center Network (ATTC) workshop on remote therapy and remote

supervision in August. Dr. Reading will review materials from the meeting and present to the Board when completed.

C. PC Regulations Sub-Committee

- Has completed its initial review of updated regulations, and is adjourned at this time.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. California Board of Behavioral Sciences

The Board tabled this matter for the November 12, 2015 meeting.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

No items to report.

XII. FILED ORDERS

No items to report.

XIII. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **November 12, 2015** at 9:30 a.m., Hudson Conference Room, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

2015 Meeting Dates:

November 12, 2015

December 10, 2015

XIV. APPLICATION REVIEW

Upon motion by Lorraine Barry, seconded by Michelle Weinberg, the Board members voted to approve the recommendations below. Voting in favor: all.

A. LICENSURE

1. Jill Barbagli
2. Elizabeth Hertenstein

B. 3 YEAR TEMPORARY PERMIT

1. Dorticia Council
2. Hilary Shui
3. Margaret Auguste
4. Agnieszka Raczynski

C. SUPERVISION REPORTS

1. Deanna Danielian
2. Katherine Funk
3. Selvin Galvan
4. Tracey Ryan
5. Claudia Salgado
6. Christian Santana
7. Samantha Stollery
8. Jessica Ulloa

D. EXAMINATION AUTHORIZATION

1. Katherine Dilks
2. Jerry Moy

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion made by Johanna Klena, and seconded by Michelle Weinberg, the Board voted to move to Executive Session at 10:00 a.m. Voting in favor: all.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion made by Michelle Weinberg, and seconded by Lorraine Barry, the Board members present returned to Public Session and voted to adjourn the public meeting at 1:40 p.m. Voting in favor: all.